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Consumer Price Index ♥ January 2002 - Revised

Highlights

- BC reported inflation of 0.8% between January 2001 and January 2002. Prince Edward Island (-0.6%) and Newfoundland (-0.2%) experienced deflation, while Alberta recorded the highest inflation at 2.7%. Canada's consumer prices increased 1.3% from last January.

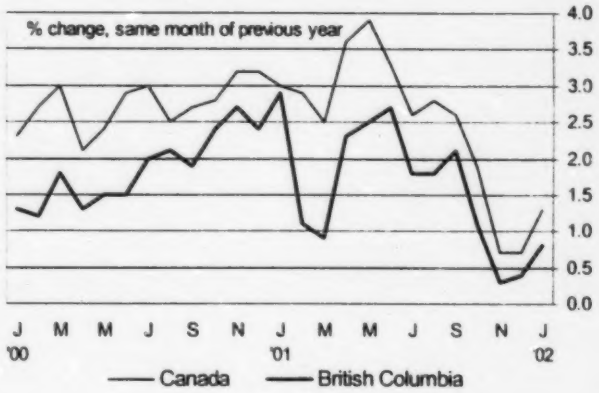
- Of the metropolitan areas, Charlottetown reported deflation of 0.3%, while Edmonton recorded the highest increase at 4.2% (REVISED). Prices in Vancouver and Victoria rose 0.9% and 1.0%, respectively, from last January.

- BC's energy prices, which include natural gas, home heating oil, electricity and motor gasoline, continued to drop (-11.3%). Natural gas prices dropped 13.1% from last January, home heating oil prices dropped 18.8% and motor gasoline prices dropped 15.6%. Electricity prices remained unchanged from last January.

- Contributing to inflation in BC from last January are higher prices for fresh vegetables (+15.6%), fresh fruit (+13.8%), household furnishings (+6.1%), cigarettes (+6.1%), and meat (+5.3%). Nationally, cigarette prices rose 23.9% from last January. In BC, price increases were offset by lower prices for energy (-11.3%), footwear (-4.5%), children's clothing (-3.5%), and women's clothing (-1.6%).

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 1.2% from last January. The comparable figure for Canada is 1.7%.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	January 2002	December 2001	January 2001
Canada	116.2	0.3	1.3
BC	115.4	0.5	0.8
Vancouver	116.3	0.4	0.9
Victoria	114.9	0.5	1.0



1992=100	2001 Annual Average Index	Annual % Change 2000/2001
Canada	116.4	2.6
BC	115.2	1.7
Vancouver	116.0	1.8
Victoria	114.3	1.2

Note:
Statistics Canada will release the February issue of the Consumer Price Index on March 21, 2002.

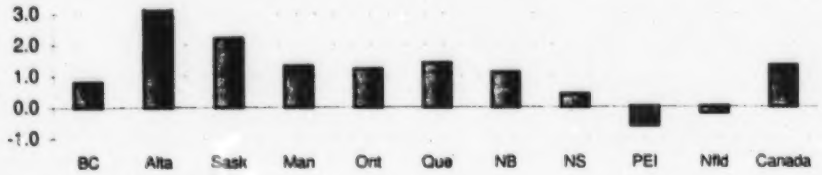
January 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index January 2002	% change December 2001	% change January 2001	Index January 2002	% change December 2001	% change January 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**115.4**	**0.5**	**0.8**	**116.2**	**0.3**	**1.3**
Food	**120.4**	**0.8**	**4.4**	**120.0**	**1.2**	**4.6**
Food Purchased From Stores	118.7	0.8	4.6	119.8	1.4	4.8
Meat	125.6	-0.2	5.3	126.7	0.4	5.8
Fish & Other Seafood	128.3	-0.5	0.8	122.9	-0.1	1.7
Dairy Products & Eggs	120.0	-0.1	3.0	117.5	0.3	2.8
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	115.9	-1.1	3.7	119.5	-0.6	3.2
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	108.0	-1.4	7.8	110.9	0.0	8.3
Fresh Fruit	109.1	1.6	13.8	116.5	0.5	13.5
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	108.2	7.7	12.5	123.2	10.7	13.0
Fresh Vegetables	108.0	11.2	15.6	130.2	14.2	16.4
Other Food Products	122.0	2.1	1.2	116.9	1.0	1.4
Coffee & Tea	133.6	3.9	0.3	128.0	0.1	-1.1
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	86.0	14.5	1.7	101.9	6.9	0.3
Food Purchased From Restaurants	124.1	0.6	3.9	121.0	0.5	4.0
Shelter	**101.3**	**-0.3**	**-0.8**	**113.0**	**0.4**	**1.8**
Rented Accommodation	112.7	0.0	1.3	114.4	0.1	1.9
Owned Accommodation	89.2	-0.4	-0.4	106.5	-0.1	1.7
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.3	-0.9	-6.3	133.8	2.2	2.0
Electricity	106.1	0.0	0.0	116.3	1.7	7.8
Piped Gas	198.6	-3.4	-13.1	191.2	4.8	7.2
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	123.7	-1.9	-18.8	120.5	-2.3	-25.9
Household Operations & Furnishings	**120.2**	**0.0**	**3.7**	**112.9**	**-0.1**	**2.2**
Household Operations	125.6	0.2	2.4	117.3	0.2	3.3
Household Furnishings	113.1	-0.2	6.1	106.3	-0.3	0.3
Clothing & Footwear	**112.2**	**1.9**	**0.3**	**102.3**	**-1.4**	**-2.4**
Clothing	111.2	2.7	-0.9	100.7	-1.4	-3.5
Women's Clothing	112.4	6.9	-1.6	99.9	-0.6	-4.4
Men's Clothing	112.0	-0.8	1.1	101.7	-1.9	-1.9
Children's Clothing	102.4	-7.4	-3.5	100.3	-3.7	-3.9
Footwear	107.7	-1.2	-4.5	101.1	-3.8	-3.7
Transportation	**128.1**	**1.9**	**-2.3**	**126.9**	**0.7**	**-3.3**
Private Transportation	124.8	2.8	-3.0	124.3	1.0	-3.9
Operation of Motor Vehicles	122.8	4.2	-3.9	122.2	1.9	-5.3
Gasoline	113.2	1.0	-15.6	110.3	2.5	-15.9
Public Transportation	159.5	-3.5	3.6	155.7	-2.6	3.0
Local & Commuter	131.8	0.2	1.7	135.8	0.7	3.3
Inter-City	171.0	-4.5	4.2	171.5	-4.5	2.8
Health & Personal Care	**120.1**	**-0.4**	**1.8**	**114.3**	**-0.2**	**1.1**
Health Care	122.2	-0.3	2.1	118.4	-0.1	1.6
Personal Care	118.0	-0.4	1.5	111.2	-0.4	0.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	**120.1**	**-0.3**	**-0.1**	**122.3**	**-0.5**	**0.7**
Recreation	114.5	-0.5	-0.9	111.7	-0.8	-0.2
Education & Reading	140.1	0.2	2.4	160.6	0.2	3.2
Education	138.0	0.3	1.9	174.8	0.0	3.3
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	144.8	0.4	3.7	134.8	0.8	3.1
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**115.0**	**0.2**	**3.7**	**112.2**	**0.3**	**13.1**
Alcoholic Beverages	116.5	0.3	1.7	118.0	0.5	2.8
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	114.3	0.4	1.5	118.7	0.8	2.9
Beer Purchased from Stores	125.5	0.0	3.2	125.8	0.6	4.1
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.4	0.3	-1.0	106.9	0.4	0.8
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	109.5	0.3	6.2	96.9	0.0	23.9
Cigarettes	109.4	0.2	6.1	95.9	0.1	23.6
All-Items Excluding Food	114.3	0.4	-0.1	115.5	0.1	0.7
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	113.4	0.5	0.6	117.2	0.3	0.9
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	113.5	0.4	1.2	114.7	-0.1	1.7

January 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	January 2002	December 2001	January 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	116.2	0.3	1.3	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland	113.8	0.4	-0.2	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	113.4	-0.4	-0.6	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	115.8	0.1	0.4	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	114.7	0.3	1.1	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	113.3	0.2	1.4	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	117.3	0.0	1.2	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	120.6	0.4	1.3	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	120.9	0.5	2.2	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	120.1	1.4	3.5	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**115.4**	**0.5**	**0.8**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	115.2	0.0	-0.6	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	113.8	0.6	1.5	113.0	111.2	1.6

CPI - Per Cent Change from Same Month of Previous Year



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	January 2002	December 2001	January 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	114.0	0.4	0.1	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	113.2	-0.3	-0.3	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	115.3	0.1	0.9	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	114.4	0.3	1.1	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	113.9	0.2	1.4	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	113.5	0.0	1.3	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	118.8	-0.1	1.1	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	117.8	-0.3	1.2	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	116.6	0.4	0.9	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	120.8	0.3	1.3	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	121.9	0.6	2.3	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	120.3	0.5	2.2	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	118.4	0.8	4.2	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	121.1	1.9	2.6	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**116.3**	**0.4**	**0.9**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**114.9**	**0.5**	**1.0**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**

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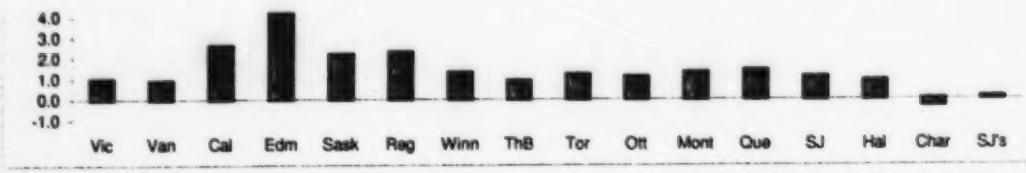

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British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3	112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1	113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9	113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7	117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month / Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2 / 2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7 / 1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6 / 0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5 / 2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5 / 2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6 / 2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0 / 1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2 / 1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5 / 2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8 / 1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8 / 0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1 / 0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002										
Jan	115.4	0.5 / 0.6	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9	109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7	110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7	112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6	117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month / Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3 / 3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4 / 2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3 / 2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7 / 3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9 / 3.9	117.9	113.8	112.2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1 / 3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3 / 2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0 / 2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3 / 2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5 / 1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	106.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9 / 0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1 / 0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
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Jan	116.2	0.3 / 1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
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January 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	191.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

January 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

		% Change			Accommodation		Water, Fuel
Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5		99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3	3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2	1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1	1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5	2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5	2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6	2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4	2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9	1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8	0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2	0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002							
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
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Victoria

		% Change			Accommodation		Water, Fuel
Year	All Items	Annual Average		Shelter	Rented	Owned	Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3		98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1	2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2	0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0	0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6	1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5	1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5	2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0	1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2	1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4	1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4	1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7	0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1	0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002							
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
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Consumer Price Index - February 2002

Highlights

- BC reported an inflation rate of 2.9%, the highest of the provinces, between February 2001 and February 2002. The next highest rate was 1.6% in the provinces of Saskatchewan, Alberta and Quebec. Newfoundland reported deflation of 0.3%. Canada's consumer prices increased 1.5% from last February.

- Of the metropolitan areas, Victoria (3.7%) and Vancouver (2.4%) had the greatest increase by far. The next highest was Edmonton and Regina, both at 1.7%. St. John's and Winnipeg saw zero inflation.

- A significant portion of BC's reported inflation of 2.9% over a year ago is attributable to BC Hydro credits that drove the electricity component of the index to zero in February 2001. Excluding energy, BC's CPI rose 2.1% from last February.

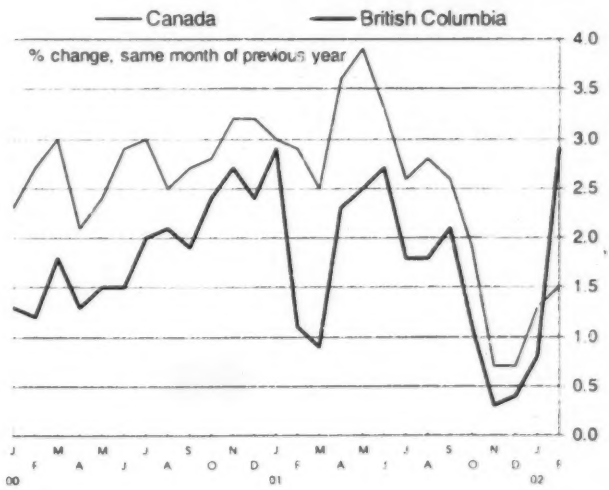
- Even though piped gas (-13.1%) and fuel oil and other fuel (-19.1%) decreased from February 2001, the water, fuel and electricity component of shelter increased by 67.5% in BC. Gasoline prices were 16.2% lower but the prices of fresh vegetables (12.4%), fresh fruit (7.7%) and cigarettes (12.3%) contributed to our higher inflation rate.

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 1.5% from last February. The comparable figure for Canada is 1.8%.

Note:
Statistics Canada will release the March issue of the Consumer Price Index on April 23, 2002.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	February 2002	January 2002	February 2001
Canada	116.9	0.6	1.5
BC	115.9	0.4	2.9
Vancouver	116.6	0.3	2.4
Victoria	115.4	0.4	3.7

BC inflation surges past national average



1992=100	2001 Annual Average Index	Annual % Change 2000/2001
Canada	116.4	2.6
BC	115.2	1.7
Vancouver	116.0	1.8
Victoria	114.3	1.2

February 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index February 2002	% change January 2001	% change February 2001	Index February 2002	% change January 2001	% change February 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**115.9**	**0.4**	**2.9**	**116.9**	**0.6**	**1.5**
Food	**120.4**	**0.0**	**4.2**	**120.6**	**0.5**	**4.3**
Food Purchased From Stores	118.6	-0.1	4.4	120.7	0.8	4.6
Meat	125.5	-0.1	3.9	127.5	0.6	5.2
Fish & Other Seafood	129.3	0.8	2.0	123.0	0.1	1.0
Dairy Products & Eggs	120.2	0.2	2.5	119.1	1.4	2.8
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	116.1	0.2	4.2	120.4	0.8	3.2
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	102.8	-4.8	4.5	108.1	-2.5	6.3
Fresh Fruit	100.5	-7.9	7.7	111.5	-4.3	10.7
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	113.1	4.5	10.2	127.4	3.4	12.5
Fresh Vegetables	113.6	5.2	12.4	135.6	4.1	15.9
Other Food Products	121.2	-0.7	3.8	117.8	0.8	1.9
Coffee & Tea	132.3	-1.0	1.7	125.9	-1.6	-3.0
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	85.0	-1.2	3.2	105.3	3.3	0.7
Food Purchased From Restaurants	124.4	0.2	3.8	121.1	0.1	3.9
Shelter	**101.3**	**0.0**	**6.6**	**113.1**	**0.1**	**2.1**
Rented Accommodation	112.9	0.2	1.4	114.6	0.2	1.9
Owned Accommodation	89.2	0.0	-0.6	106.6	0.1	1.5
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.0	-0.2	67.5	133.6	-0.1	4.0
Electricity	106.1	0.0	0.0	116.1	-0.2	16.2
Piped Gas	198.6	0.0	-13.1	190.5	-0.4	-0.7
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	119.3	-3.6	-19.1	119.7	-0.7	-23.4
Household Operations & Furnishings	**120.3**	**0.1**	**2.8**	**113.1**	**0.2**	**1.9**
Household Operations	126.0	0.3	2.9	117.6	0.3	3.0
Household Furnishings	112.8	-0.3	2.7	106.4	0.1	0.1
Clothing & Footwear	**115.3**	**2.8**	**1.5**	**105.4**	**3.0**	**-1.0**
Clothing	115.1	3.5	0.3	104.4	3.7	-1.9
Women's Clothing	115.6	2.8	-0.4	104.5	4.6	-2.2
Men's Clothing	116.0	3.6	2.1	104.7	2.9	-0.5
Children's Clothing	109.7	7.1	-2.0	102.4	2.1	-4.1
Footwear	110.4	2.5	1.3	104.1	3.0	-2.0
Transportation	**128.3**	**0.2**	**-1.2**	**127.5**	**0.5**	**-3.0**
Private Transportation	124.9	0.1	-1.3	124.9	0.5	-3.4
Operation of Motor Vehicles	122.9	0.1	-1.3	123.1	0.7	-4.7
Gasoline	113.4	0.2	-16.2	111.8	1.4	-15.4
Public Transportation	159.5	0.0	0.1	156.5	0.5	0.8
Local & Commuter	131.8	0.0	1.7	135.8	0.0	3.3
Inter-City	170.9	-0.1	-0.4	172.9	0.8	-0.7
Health & Personal Care	**120.8**	**0.6**	**1.7**	**114.8**	**0.4**	**1.1**
Health Care	122.1	-0.1	1.9	118.4	0.0	1.6
Personal Care	119.3	1.1	1.4	112.3	1.0	0.6
Recreation, Education & Reading	**121.3**	**1.0**	**-0.2**	**124.1**	**1.5**	**1.0**
Recreation	116.0	1.3	-0.9	113.9	2.0	0.2
Education & Reading	140.2	0.1	2.5	160.6	0.0	3.2
Education	138.0	0.0	1.9	174.8	0.0	3.3
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	144.8	0.0	3.7	134.8	0.0	3.1
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**117.9**	**2.5**	**6.4**	**112.9**	**0.6**	**13.6**
Alcoholic Beverages	116.4	-0.1	1.5	118.4	0.3	2.7
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	114.2	-0.1	1.2	119.0	0.3	2.6
Beer Purchased from Stores	125.5	0.0	3.2	126.3	0.4	3.6
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.0	-0.4	-2.5	106.7	-0.2	0.3
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	115.4	5.4	12.4	97.7	0.8	24.8
Cigarettes	115.3	5.4	12.3	96.7	0.8	24.6
All-Items Excluding Food	114.9	0.5	2.6	116.2	0.6	0.9
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	113.8	0.4	2.8	117.9	0.6	1.1
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	114.1	0.5	1.5	115.4	0.6	1.8

February 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	February 2002	January 2001	February 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	116.9	0.6	1.5	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland	114.2	0.4	-0.3	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	113.7	0.3	0.4	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	116.4	0.5	0.8	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	115.0	0.3	1.1	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	114.2	0.8	1.6	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	118.2	0.8	1.4	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	120.6	0.0	0.1	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	120.8	-0.1	1.6	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	120.7	0.5	1.6	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**115.9**	**0.4**	**2.9**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	115.2	0.0	-0.7	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	114.2	0.4	1.8	113.0	111.2	1.6

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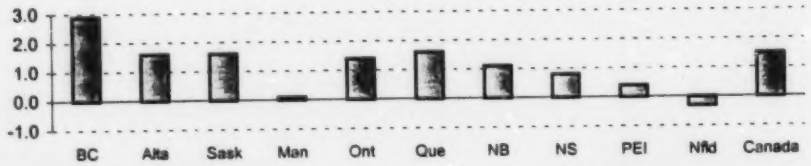

Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	February 2002	January 2001	February 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	114.4	0.4	0.0	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	113.4	0.2	0.5	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	115.9	0.5	1.2	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	114.8	0.3	1.1	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	114.8	0.8	1.6	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	114.4	0.8	1.6	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	119.8	0.8	1.3	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	118.8	0.8	1.5	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	117.4	0.7	0.9	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	120.8	0.0	0.0	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	121.8	-0.1	1.7	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	120.2	-0.1	1.6	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	119.1	0.6	1.7	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	121.8	0.6	1.4	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**116.6**	**0.3**	**2.4**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**115.4**	**0.4**	**3.7**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**

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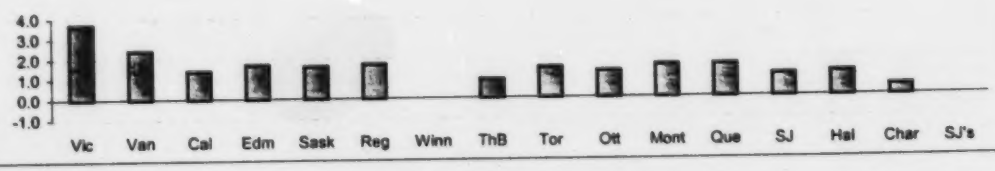

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February 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3		112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2	2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7	1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6	0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5	2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5	2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6	2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0	1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2	1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5	2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8	1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8	0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002											
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9		109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3	3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4	2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3	2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7	3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9	3.9	117.9	113.8	112.2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1	3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3	2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0	2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3	2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5	1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	106.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9	0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1	0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
2002											
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
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February 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	126.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	191.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

February 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5	99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9	99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2	100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8	103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month / Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3 / 3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2 / 1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1 / 1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5 / 2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5 / 2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6 / 2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0 / 1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0 / 1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4 / 2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9 / 1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8 / 0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2 / 0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002						
Jan	116.3	0.4 / 0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3 / 2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
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Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3	98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0	98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7	99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2	98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month / Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1 / 2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2 / 0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0 / 0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6 / 1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5 / 1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5 / 2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0 / 1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2 / 1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4 / 1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4 / 1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7 / 0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1 / 0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002						
Jan	114.9	0.5 / 1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4 / 3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
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Consumer Price Index - March 2002

Highlights

- BC reported inflation of 2.9%, the highest of the provinces, between March 2001 and March 2002, followed by Saskatchewan at 2.5%. Newfoundland reported the lowest inflation at 0.4%, while Canada's consumer prices increased 1.8% during the same period.

- Of the metropolitan areas, Victoria (3.3%) and Vancouver (3.0%) experienced the greatest price increases from last March, followed by Calgary at 2.7%. The smallest price increases were in St. John's and Winnipeg, both at 0.6%.

- BC's energy prices, which include natural gas, home heating oil, electricity and gasoline, rose 9.5% from last March, due to lingering effects of the $200 BC Hydro credit (issued February 2001) which had the effect of pushing March 2002 electricity prices up by 150.8%. This was offset by significant price decreases for fuel oil (-15.4%), piped gas (-13.1%) and gasoline (-4.5%). BC's inflation rate excluding the energy component was 2.5%.

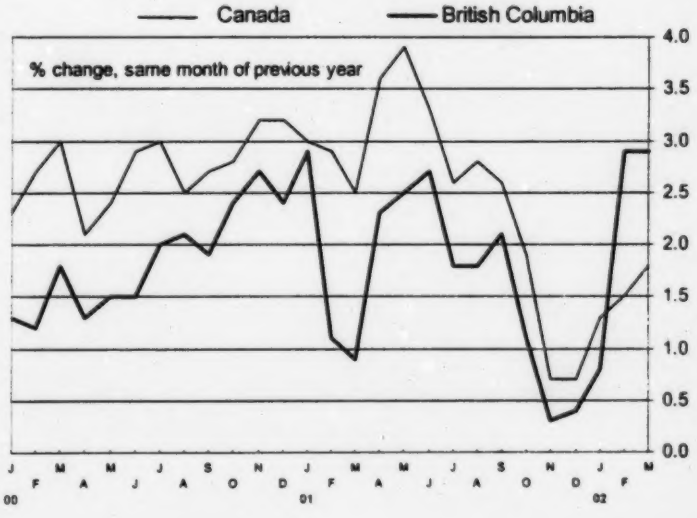
- Also contributing to inflation in BC from last March are higher prices for cigarettes (+23.4%), fresh fruit (+13.9%), inter-city public transportation (+11.7%) and fresh vegetables (+11.0%). Lower prices for coffee and tea (-2.1%) and children's clothing (-1.5%) also helped offset these increases.

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 2.2% from last March. The comparable figure for Canada is also 2.2%.

Note:
Statistics Canada will release the April issue of the Consumer Price Index on May 22, 2002.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	March 2002	February 2002	March 2001
Canada	117.7	0.7	1.8
BC	116.6	0.6	2.9
Vancouver	117.4	0.7	3.0
Victoria	116.1	0.6	3.3

BC inflation trend levels



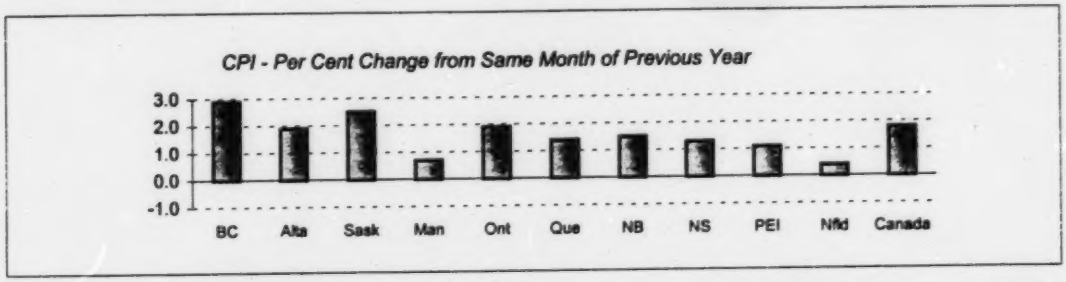
1992=100	Latest 12-month Average Index	Latest 12-month Average % Change
Canada	116.9	2.2
BC	115.8	1.8
Vancouver	116.6	1.8
Victoria	115.1	1.6

March 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

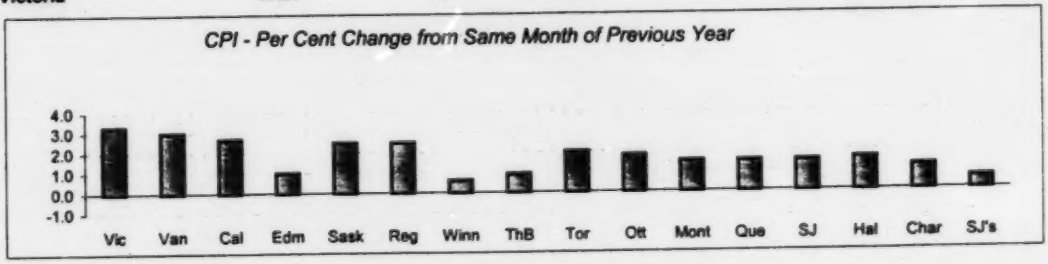
	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index March 2002	% change February 2001	% change March 2001	Index March 2002	% change February 2001	% change March 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**116.6**	**0.6**	**2.9**	**117.7**	**0.7**	**1.8**
Food	**120.0**	**-0.3**	**3.4**	**120.4**	**-0.2**	**3.3**
Food Purchased From Stores	117.9	-0.6	3.1	120.3	-0.3	3.2
Meat	121.7	-3.0	-0.2	126.6	-0.7	2.3
Fish & Other Seafood	126.4	-2.2	-0.4	122.0	-0.8	-0.2
Dairy Products & Eggs	121.4	1.0	3.7	119.8	0.6	2.7
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	116.2	0.1	3.8	120.1	-0.2	2.9
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	103.5	0.7	6.3	106.8	-1.2	5.1
Fresh Fruit	102.3	1.8	13.9	109.1	-2.2	8.3
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	115.7	2.3	8.1	129.7	1.8	9.8
Fresh Vegetables	117.8	3.7	11.0	138.8	2.4	12.6
Other Food Products	119.3	-1.6	2.3	116.6	-1.0	0.8
Coffee & Tea	130.5	-1.4	-2.1	125.5	-0.3	-3.8
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	83.0	-2.4	6.4	102.8	-2.4	0.6
Food Purchased From Restaurants	124.6	0.2	3.9	121.2	0.1	3.8
Shelter	**101.1**	**-0.2**	**3.2**	**113.1**	**0.0**	**1.1**
Rented Accommodation	113.0	0.1	1.3	114.7	0.1	1.9
Owned Accommodation	88.9	-0.3	-1.0	106.7	0.1	1.4
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.1	0.1	27.8	133.0	-0.4	-1.1
Electricity	106.1	0.0	150.8	119.3	2.8	14.4
Piped Gas	198.6	0.0	-13.1	176.6	-7.3	-16.9
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	121.6	1.9	-15.4	122.7	2.5	-18.3
Household Operations & Furnishings	**120.8**	**0.4**	**3.0**	**113.7**	**0.5**	**2.2**
Household Operations	126.2	0.2	3.1	117.8	0.2	3.1
Household Furnishings	113.7	0.8	2.8	107.5	1.0	0.7
Clothing & Footwear	**116.2**	**0.8**	**2.9**	**107.1**	**1.6**	**-0.7**
Clothing	116.6	1.3	2.2	106.8	2.3	-1.4
Women's Clothing	118.5	2.5	1.9	107.6	3.0	-1.5
Men's Clothing	115.9	-0.1	3.4	105.4	0.7	-1.5
Children's Clothing	108.1	-1.5	-1.5	105.9	3.4	-1.2
Footwear	110.2	-0.2	1.8	104.8	0.7	-2.1
Transportation	**131.4**	**2.4**	**2.7**	**130.5**	**2.4**	**0.3**
Private Transportation	128.2	2.6	1.7	128.1	2.6	-0.4
Operation of Motor Vehicles	127.7	3.9	3.5	128.4	4.3	0.3
Gasoline	126.4	11.5	-4.5	122.1	9.2	-5.3
Public Transportation	161.8	1.4	8.9	157.2	0.4	7.6
Local & Commuter	131.8	0.0	0.5	135.8	0.0	3.1
Inter-City	174.1	1.9	11.7	174.2	0.8	10.4
Health & Personal Care	**120.5**	**-0.2**	**1.6**	**114.5**	**-0.3**	**0.9**
Health Care	122.7	0.5	2.5	118.7	0.3	1.9
Personal Care	118.2	-0.9	0.8	111.4	-0.8	-0.1
Recreation, Education & Reading	**121.4**	**0.1**	**-0.2**	**124.9**	**0.6**	**1.1**
Recreation	116.3	0.3	-0.9	114.8	0.8	0.5
Education & Reading	139.4	-0.6	2.4	161.2	0.4	3.1
Education	137.5	-0.4	1.9	175.4	0.3	3.4
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	143.3	-1.0	3.6	135.5	0.5	2.7
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**123.4**	**4.7**	**11.1**	**114.1**	**1.1**	**14.8**
Alcoholic Beverages	116.3	-0.1	1.0	118.0	-0.3	2.3
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	114.1	-0.1	0.4	118.3	-0.6	2.1
Beer Purchased from Stores	125.5	0.0	0.0	124.9	-1.1	2.3
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.0	0.0	0.0	106.8	0.1	0.7
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	126.8	9.9	23.5	100.0	2.4	27.7
Cigarettes	126.7	9.9	23.4	99.1	2.5	27.7
All-Items Excluding Food	115.9	0.9	2.8	117.2	0.9	1.5
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	114.3	0.4	2.6	118.7	0.7	1.4
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	114.6	0.4	2.2	116.0	0.5	2.2

March 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	March 2002	February 2001	March 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	117.7	0.7	1.8	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland	114.9	0.6	0.4	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	114.5	0.7	1.1	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	117.1	0.6	1.3	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	115.8	0.7	1.5	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	114.3	0.1	1.4	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	119.5	1.1	1.9	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	121.5	0.7	0.7	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	121.8	0.8	2.5	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	121.0	0.2	1.9	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**116.6**	**0.6**	**2.9**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	115.4	0.2	-0.6	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	114.3	0.1	2.1	113.0	111.2	1.6



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	March 2002	February 2001	March 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	115.1	0.6	0.6	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	114.3	0.8	1.2	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	116.5	0.5	1.6	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	115.6	0.7	1.5	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	115.0	0.2	1.5	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	114.5	0.1	1.5	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	121.1	1.1	1.8	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	120.1	1.1	2.0	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	118.4	0.9	0.9	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	121.7	0.7	0.6	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	122.8	0.8	2.5	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	121.2	0.8	2.5	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	118.2	-0.8	1.0	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	123.3	1.2	2.7	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**117.4**	**0.7**	**3.0**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**116.1**	**0.6**	**3.3**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**



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March 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3		112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2	2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7	1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6	0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5	2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5	2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6	2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0	1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2	1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5	2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8	1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8	0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002											
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9		109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3	3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4	2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3	2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7	3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9	3.9	117.9	113.8	112.2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1	3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3	2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0	2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3	2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5	1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	106.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9	0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1	0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
2002											
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
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BRITISH COLUMBIA

		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

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		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	191.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

March 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5	99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9	99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2	100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8	103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month / Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3 / 3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2 / 1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1 / 1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5 / 2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5 / 2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6 / 2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0 / 1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0 / 1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4 / 2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9 / 1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8 / 0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2 / 0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002						
Jan	116.3	0.4 / 0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3 / 2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7 / 3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
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Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average	Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3	98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0	98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7	99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2	98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month / Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1 / 2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2 / 0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0 / 0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6 / 1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5 / 1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5 / 2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0 / 1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2 / 1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4 / 1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4 / 1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7 / 0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1 / 0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002						
Jan	114.9	0.5 / 1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4 / 3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6 / 3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
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Consumer Price Index - April 2002

Highlights

- Inflation in BC rose 2.3% between April 2001 and April 2002. The greatest increase was seen in Saskatchewan at 3.6%, followed by Alberta at 3.4%. Quebec reported the lowest inflation at 1.0%, while Canada's consumer prices increased 1.7% over the same period.

- Of the metropolitan areas, Calgary experienced the greatest price increases from last April (4.2%). Victoria (2.5%) and Vancouver (2.3%) experienced moderate increases, while the smallest price increases were in Thunder Bay, at 0.4%.

- BC's energy prices, which include natural gas, home heating oil, electricity and gasoline, dropped 2.2% from last April, led by a 13.1% decrease in the price of natural gas. Fuel oil prices also fell (-6.7%), while electricity prices remained stable. Gasoline prices rose moderately (+1.4%) after six months of decreases.

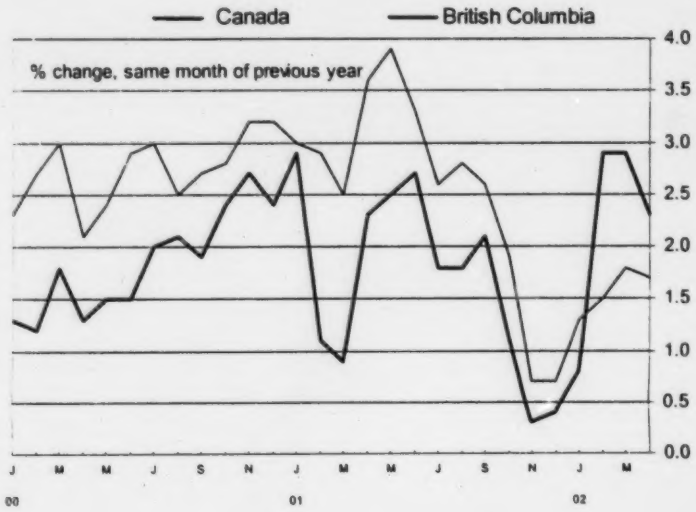
- Contributing to inflation in BC from last April are higher prices for cigarettes (+24.1%), intercity public transportation (+13.2%), and fresh vegetables (+10.8%). Lower prices for children's clothing (-4.5%), and coffee and tea (-4.3%) helped offset these increases.

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 2.4% from last April. The comparable figure for Canada is 2.3%.

Note:
Statistics Canada will release the May issue of the Consumer Price Index on June 14, 2002.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	April 2002	March 2002	April 2001
Canada	118.4	0.6	1.7
BC	117.7	0.9	2.3
Vancouver	118.4	0.9	2.3
Victoria	117.1	0.9	2.5

BC inflation moderating



1992=100	Latest 12-month Average Index	Latest 12-month Average % Change
Canada	117.0	2.1
BC	116.0	1.8
Vancouver	116.8	1.8
Victoria	115.3	1.7

April 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index April 2002	% change March 2001	% change April 2001	Index April 2002	% change March 2001	% change April 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**117.7**	**0.9**	**2.3**	**118.4**	**0.6**	**1.7**
Food	**121.5**	**1.3**	**3.9**	**120.9**	**0.4**	**3.3**
Food Purchased From Stores	120.1	1.9	4.0	121.0	0.6	3.3
Meat	127.6	4.8	5.0	127.9	1.0	2.6
Fish & Other Seafood	128.3	1.5	0.9	122.6	0.5	0.7
Dairy Products & Eggs	122.3	0.7	4.2	120.3	0.4	3.3
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	116.8	0.5	2.8	120.6	0.4	3.3
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	106.9	3.3	2.6	108.9	2.0	2.3
Fresh Fruit	104.4	2.1	5.5	112.0	2.7	3.2
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	113.8	-1.6	9.3	127.3	-1.9	10.9
Fresh Vegetables	114.1	-3.1	10.8	135.3	-2.5	13.5
Other Food Products	121.6	1.9	2.1	117.3	0.6	1.0
Coffee & Tea	131.1	0.5	-4.3	124.4	-0.9	-4.1
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	85.6	3.1	3.6	104.2	1.4	1.7
Food Purchased From Restaurants	124.8	0.2	3.8	121.3	0.1	3.0
Shelter	**101.6**	**0.5**	**-0.6**	**112.8**	**-0.3**	**0.3**
Rented Accommodation	113.1	0.1	1.3	115.0	0.3	2.0
Owned Accommodation	89.4	0.6	-0.3	107.1	0.4	1.5
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.8	0.5	-5.3	129.5	-2.6	-5.5
Electricity	106.1	0.0	0.0	119.4	0.1	8.2
Piped Gas	198.6	0.0	-13.1	153.9	-12.9	-26.5
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	130.8	7.6	-6.7	130.2	6.1	-10.8
Household Operations & Furnishings	**121.4**	**0.5**	**3.9**	**113.9**	**0.2**	**1.7**
Household Operations	126.4	0.2	3.2	117.7	-0.1	2.0
Household Furnishings	115.1	1.2	5.5	108.1	0.6	1.0
Clothing & Footwear	**114.2**	**-1.7**	**0.9**	**106.6**	**-0.5**	**0.1**
Clothing	113.3	-2.8	-0.8	106.0	-0.7	-0.1
Women's Clothing	113.1	-4.6	-1.3	105.3	-2.1	-0.8
Men's Clothing	115.5	-0.3	1.0	106.8	1.3	0.2
Children's Clothing	107.2	-0.8	-4.5	105.4	-0.5	2.2
Footwear	110.1	-0.1	1.0	105.5	0.7	-1.8
Transportation	**135.0**	**2.7**	**4.0**	**133.8**	**2.5**	**1.3**
Private Transportation	131.3	2.4	2.9	131.3	2.5	0.5
Operation of Motor Vehicles	131.8	3.2	5.3	132.8	3.4	1.6
Gasoline	137.3	8.6	1.4	130.4	6.8	-4.2
Public Transportation	169.7	4.9	11.9	161.8	2.9	9.0
Local & Commuter	141.3	7.2	7.8	137.0	0.9	4.0
Inter-City	181.4	4.2	13.2	181.6	4.2	12.2
Health & Personal Care	**122.0**	**1.2**	**2.1**	**115.3**	**0.7**	**1.1**
Health Care	125.6	2.4	3.5	120.4	1.4	1.9
Personal Care	118.4	0.2	0.8	111.5	0.1	0.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	**121.7**	**0.2**	**0.0**	**124.7**	**-0.2**	**0.6**
Recreation	116.7	0.3	-0.6	114.5	-0.3	-0.2
Education & Reading	139.6	0.1	2.6	161.6	0.2	3.5
Education	137.5	0.0	1.9	175.4	0.0	3.4
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	144.2	0.6	4.3	136.5	0.7	3.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**123.9**	**0.4**	**11.6**	**116.8**	**2.4**	**13.1**
Alcoholic Beverages	116.8	0.4	1.3	118.5	0.4	2.8
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	114.9	0.7	1.1	119.1	0.7	2.8
Beer Purchased from Stores	127.4	1.5	1.5	126.3	1.1	3.3
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.1	0.1	-0.6	107.0	0.2	0.9
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	127.4	0.5	24.2	103.9	3.9	23.0
Cigarettes	127.3	0.5	24.1	103.1	4.0	23.3
All-Items Excluding Food	116.9	0.9	2.0	117.9	0.6	1.4
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	115.4	1.0	1.9	119.3	0.5	1.3
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	115.1	0.4	2.4	116.5	0.4	2.3

April 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	April 2002	March 2001	April 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	118.4	0.6	1.7	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland	116.9	1.7	2.9	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	116.8	2.0	1.9	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	118.9	1.5	2.1	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	117.6	1.6	2.4	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	114.9	0.5	1.0	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	119.5	0.0	1.4	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	122.5	0.8	1.2	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	123.5	1.4	3.6	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	122.9	1.6	3.4	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**117.7**	**0.9**	**2.3**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	116.7	1.1	0.3	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	115.1	0.7	2.6	113.0	111.2	1.6

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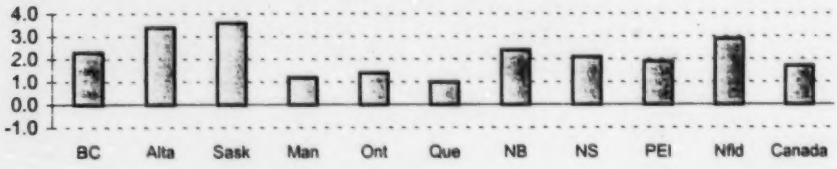

Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	April 2002	March 2001	April 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	117.0	1.7	3.0	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	116.4	1.8	2.0	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	118.2	1.5	2.2	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	117.1	1.3	2.2	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	115.5	0.4	1.0	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	115.1	0.5	1.1	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	121.2	0.1	1.5	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	120.0	-0.1	1.4	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	118.3	-0.1	0.4	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	122.7	0.8	1.1	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	124.3	1.2	3.4	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	122.9	1.4	3.5	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	119.9	1.4	2.3	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	125.4	1.7	4.2	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**118.4**	**0.9**	**2.3**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**117.1**	**0.9**	**2.5**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**

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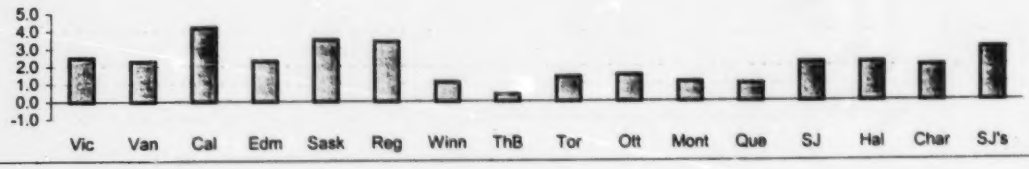

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April Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3		112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2	2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7	1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6	0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5	2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5	2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6	2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0	1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2	1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5	2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8	1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8	0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002											
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9		109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3	3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4	2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3	2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7	3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9	3.9	117.9	113.8	112 2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1	3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3	2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0	2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3	2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5	1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	106.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9	0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1	0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
2002											
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
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BRITISH COLUMBIA

		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/ Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

CANADA

		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/ Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	191.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

April 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5		99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3	3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2	1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1	1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5	2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5	2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6	2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4	2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9	1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8	0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2	0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002							
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
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Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3		98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1	2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2	0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0	0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6	1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5	1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5	2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0	1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2	1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4	1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4	1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7	0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1	0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002							
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
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Consumer Price Index — May 2002

Highlights

- Inflation in BC rose 2.2% between May 2001 and May 2002. The greatest increase was seen in Saskatchewan at 2.7%, while Alberta reported the lowest inflation at 0.2%. Canada's consumer prices increased 1.0% from last May.

- Of the metropolitan areas, Saskatoon and Halifax reported the greatest price increases from a year ago at 2.8%. Price increases in Victoria (+2.4%) and Vancouver (+2.3%) remain moderate. Thunder Bay and Edmonton both experienced deflation (–0.2% and –0.9%, respectively).

- BC's energy prices, which include natural gas, home heating oil, electricity and gasoline, fell 3.0% from last May, largely due to a 13.1% decrease in the price of natural gas. Fuel oil prices also declined compared to last May (-6.1%), while electricity prices remained stable. Gasoline prices decreased slightly (-0.2%) during the same period.

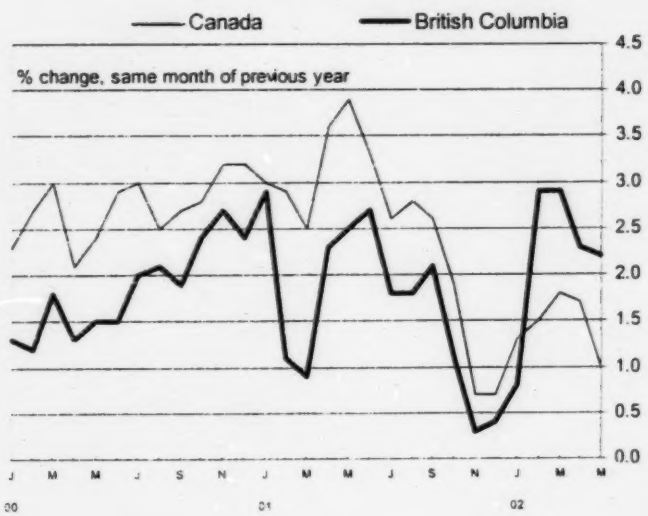
- Contributing to inflation in BC from last May are higher prices for cigarettes (+24.3%), inter-city public transportation (+16.5%), local and commuter transportation (+7.8%), beer purchased from stores (+4.9%), and women's clothing (+4.7%). Lower prices for children's clothing (-4.4%), coffee and tea (-3.6%), non-alcoholic beverages (-3.0%) and men's clothing (-2.7%) helped offset these increases.

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 2.7% from last May. The comparable figure for Canada is 2.4%.

Note:
Statistics Canada will release the June issue of the Consumer Price Index on July 23, 2002.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	May 2002	April 2002	May 2001
Canada	118.6	0.2	1.0
BC	118.1	0.3	2.2
Vancouver	119.0	0.5	2.3
Victoria	117.6	0.4	2.4

BC inflation remains moderate



1992=100	Latest 12-month Average Index	Latest 12-month Average % Change
Canada	117.1	1.8
BC	116.2	1.8
Vancouver	117.0	1.8
Victoria	115.6	1.8

May 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index May 2002	% change April 2001	% change May 2001	Index May 2002	% change April 2001	% change May 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**118.1**	**0.3**	**2.2**	**118.6**	**0.2**	**1.0**
Food	**120.9**	**-0.5**	**2.3**	**120.4**	**-0.4**	**2.1**
Food Purchased From Stores	119.2	-0.7	1.7	120.2	-0.7	1.6
Meat	127.5	-0.1	2.0	127.8	-0.1	1.0
Fish & Other Seafood	129.8	1.2	1.1	123.2	0.5	0.7
Dairy Products & Eggs	122.3	0.0	3.2	120.3	0.0	2.8
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	117.4	0.5	3.0	120.7	0.1	2.8
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	108.2	1.2	2.1	110.2	1.2	0.7
Fresh Fruit	106.8	2.3	4.1	114.0	1.8	0.5
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	108.2	-4.9	0.7	119.7	-6.0	2.7
Fresh Vegetables	107.6	-5.7	0.9	125.4	-7.3	3.4
Other Food Products	119.8	-1.5	0.2	116.7	-0.5	0.5
Coffee & Tea	129.9	-0.9	-3.6	125.8	1.1	-3.7
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	81.0	-5.4	-3.0	101.3	-2.8	-0.9
Food Purchased From Restaurants	124.7	-0.1	3.4	121.6	0.2	3.5
Shelter	**101.8**	**0.2**	**-0.6**	**113.1**	**0.3**	**-0.6**
Rented Accommodation	113.3	0.2	1.4	115.2	0.2	1.9
Owned Accommodation	89.6	0.2	-0.4	107.4	0.3	1.5
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.9	0.1	-5.3	129.8	0.2	-9.5
Electricity	106.1	0.0	0.0	119.4	0.0	7.5
Piped Gas	198.6	0.0	-13.1	155.4	1.0	-35.2
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	132.2	1.1	-6.1	130.1	-0.1	-10.0
Household Operations & Furnishings	**121.2**	**-0.2**	**3.6**	**113.8**	**-0.1**	**1.4**
Household Operations	126.1	-0.2	3.0	117.7	0.0	1.8
Household Furnishings	114.9	-0.2	4.5	108.0	-0.1	0.7
Clothing & Footwear	**112.8**	**-1.2**	**1.8**	**104.6**	**-1.9**	**-0.3**
Clothing	111.2	-1.9	1.0	103.0	-2.8	-0.7
Women's Clothing	111.7	-1.2	4.7	101.8	-3.3	-0.1
Men's Clothing	111.0	-3.9	-2.7	104.7	-2.0	-0.9
Children's Clothing	109.8	2.4	-4.4	103.2	-2.1	-2.3
Footwear	111.3	1.1	2.3	106.7	1.1	-0.9
Transportation	**135.9**	**0.7**	**3.9**	**134.1**	**0.2**	**0.1**
Private Transportation	131.9	0.5	2.5	131.3	0.0	-0.9
Operation of Motor Vehicles	132.8	0.8	4.6	132.8	0.0	-0.8
Gasoline	139.9	1.9	-0.2	128.0	-1.8	-10.8
Public Transportation	173.5	2.2	14.3	164.9	1.9	11.0
Local & Commuter	141.3	0.0	7.8	137.0	0.0	4.0
Inter-City	186.8	3.0	16.5	187.1	3.0	15.4
Health & Personal Care	**122.0**	**0.0**	**2.3**	**115.7**	**0.3**	**1.1**
Health Care	125.5	-0.1	3.7	120.4	0.0	1.9
Personal Care	118.4	0.0	0.8	112.3	0.7	0.5
Recreation, Education & Reading	**125.4**	**3.0**	**1.2**	**126.8**	**1.7**	**1.2**
Recreation	121.2	3.9	0.9	117.0	2.2	0.4
Education & Reading	139.6	0.0	2.6	161.6	0.0	3.5
Education	137.5	0.0	1.9	175.4	0.0	3.4
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	144.2	0.0	4.3	136.5	0.0	3.6
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**126.2**	**1.9**	**12.6**	**118.8**	**1.7**	**12.9**
Alcoholic Beverages	118.9	1.8	2.7	119.2	0.6	2.9
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	116.8	1.7	2.5	119.3	0.2	2.6
Beer Purchased from Stores	131.7	3.4	4.9	126.2	-0.1	2.7
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.7	0.6	0.9	107.9	0.8	1.9
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	129.6	1.7	24.3	106.7	2.7	22.4
Cigarettes	129.6	1.8	24.3	106.0	2.8	22.7
All-Items Excluding Food	117.6	0.6	2.2	118.3	0.3	0.8
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	115.8	0.3	1.8	119.4	0.1	0.6
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	115.7	0.5	2.7	117.0	0.4	2.4

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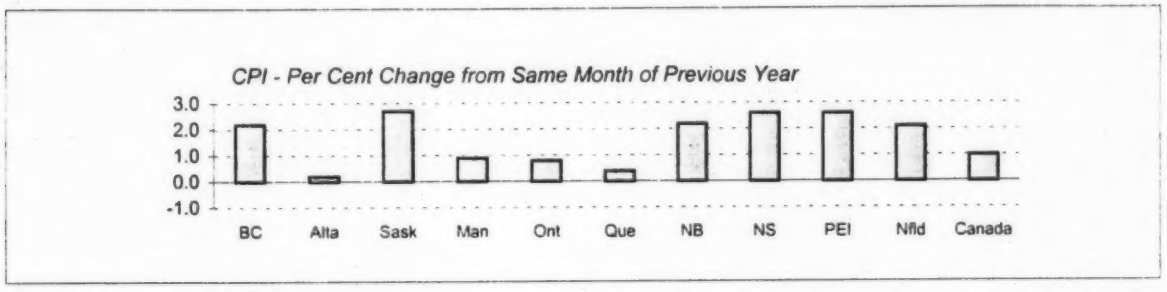
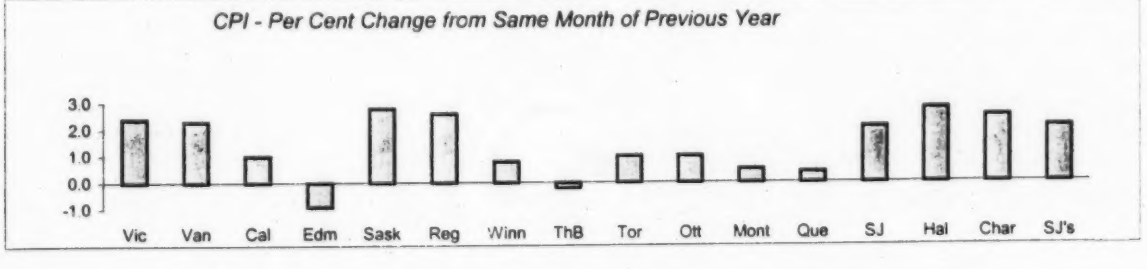
Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	May 2002	April 2001	May 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	118.6	0.2	1.0	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	118.0	0.9	2.1	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	118.0	1.0	2.6	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	120.0	0.9	2.6	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	118.3	0.6	2.2	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	119.5	0.0	0.8	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	123.2	0.6	0.9	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	123.7	0.2	2.7	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	123.5	0.5	0.2	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**118.1**	**0.3**	**2.2**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	117.3	0.5	0.3	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	116.0	0.8	2.8	113.0	111.2	1.6



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	May 2002	April 2001	May 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	118.0	0.9	2.1	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	117.4	0.9	2.5	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	119.4	1.0	2.8	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	117.9	0.7	2.1	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	115.4	-0.1	0.4	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	114.9	-0.2	0.5	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	121.4	0.2	1.0	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	120.0	0.0	1.0	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	118.3	0.0	-0.2	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	123.4	0.6	0.8	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	124.5	0.2	2.6	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	123.2	0.2	2.8	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	120.4	0.4	-0.9	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	125.9	0.4	1.0	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**119.0**	**0.5**	**2.3**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**117.6**	**0.4**	**2.4**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**



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May Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3		112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2	2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7	1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6	0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5	2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5	2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6	2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0	1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2	1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5	2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8	1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8	0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002											
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9		109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3	3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4	2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3	2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7	3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9	3.9	117.9	113.8	112.2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1	3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3	2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0	2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3	2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5	1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	106.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9	0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1	0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
2002											
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
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May 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Piped Gas	Fuel Oil/ Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	181.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

May 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5		99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3	3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2	1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1	1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5	2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5	2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6	2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4	2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9	1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8	0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2	0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002							
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
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Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3		98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1	2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2	0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0	0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6	1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5	1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5	2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0	1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2	1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4	1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4	1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7	0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1	0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002							
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
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Consumer Price Index — June 2002

Highlights

- The year-over-year inflation rate in BC was 1.6% in June, down 0.6 percentage points from May. The highest rate (2.6%) was seen in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick, while Alberta reported the lowest rate (0.5%). Canada's year-over-year inflation rate was 1.3% in June.

- Of the metropolitan areas, prices in Vancouver rose 1.7% from last June, while Victoria posted a 2.1% increase over the same period. Halifax reported the greatest price increases from a year ago at 2.8%, while Edmonton experienced deflation (–0.5%).

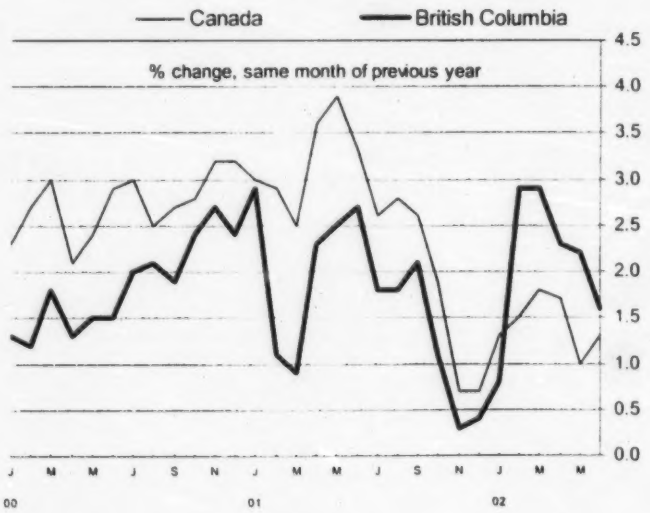
- BC's energy prices, which include natural gas, home heating oil, electricity and gasoline, fell 6.0% from last June, largely due to a 13.1% drop in the price of natural gas. Fuel oil prices also declined compared to last June (-6.1%), while electricity prices remained stable. Gasoline prices decreased 6.1% during the same period.

- Contributing to inflation in BC from last June were higher prices for cigarettes (+27.9%), inter-city public transportation (+8.7%), local and commuter transportation (+7.5%), reading material (+5.0%), household furnishings (+5.0%), beer purchased from stores (+4.9%), and fresh vegetables (+4.8%). Lower prices for children's clothing (-4.5%), coffee and tea (-4.1%), men's clothing (-1.8%), and fish and other seafood (-1.5%) helped offset these increases.

- BC's consumer price index, excluding food and energy, rose 2.3% from last June. The comparable figure for Canada is 2.6%.

1992=100	Index	% Change From	
	June 2002	May 2002	June 2001
Canada	119.0	0.3	1.3
BC	118.2	0.1	1.6
Vancouver	119.0	0.0	1.7
Victoria	117.8	0.2	2.1

BC inflation trend continues slide



1992=100	Latest 12-month Average Index	Latest 12-month Average % Change
Canada	117.2	1.7
BC	116.4	1.7
Vancouver	117.0	1.7
Victoria	115.8	1.8

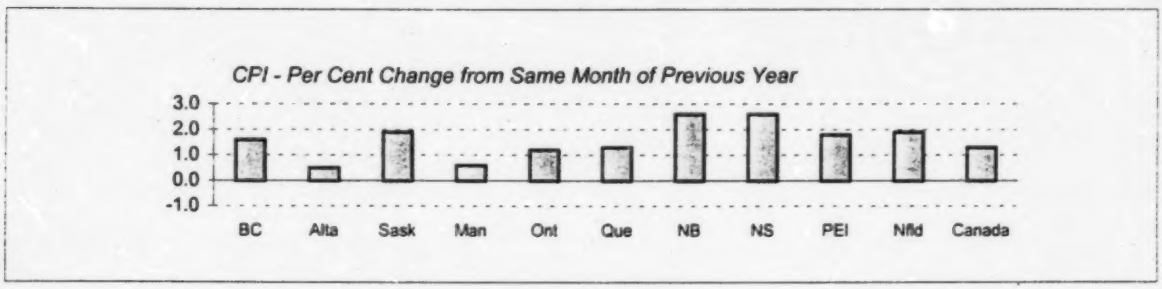
Note:
Statistics Canada will release the July issue of the Consumer Price Index on August 21, 2002.

June 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

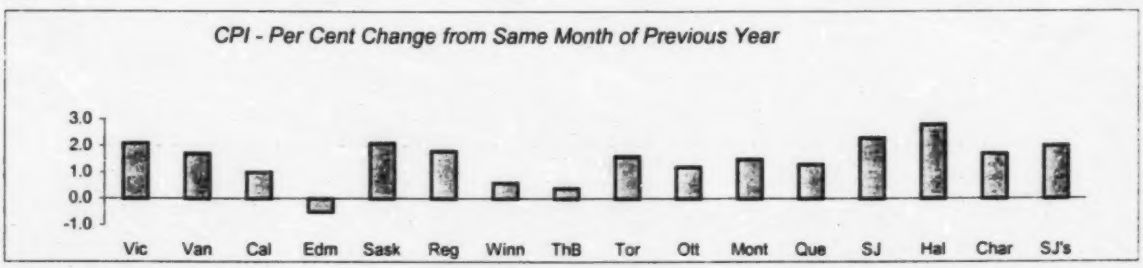
	British Columbia			Canada		
	Index June 2002	% change May 2002	% change June 2001	Index June 2002	% change May 2002	% change June 2001
All-Items Index (1992=100)	**118.2**	**0.1**	**1.6**	**119.0**	**0.3**	**1.3**
Food	**121.0**	**0.1**	**2.8**	**120.9**	**0.4**	**2.4**
Food Purchased From Stores	119.1	-0.1	2.4	120.7	0.4	1.9
Meat	125.7	-1.4	1.2	127.6	-0.2	0.6
Fish & Other Seafood	128.0	-1.4	-1.5	122.8	-0.3	0.2
Dairy Products & Eggs	122.6	0.2	3.3	120.3	0.0	2.6
Bakery & Other Cereal Products	117.6	0.2	3.2	121.1	0.3	2.7
Fruit, Fruit Preparations & Nuts	105.0	-3.0	2.3	109.7	-0.5	0.3
Fresh Fruit	104.1	-2.5	4.0	113.8	-0.2	0.1
Vegetables & Vegetable Preparations	108.4	0.2	3.8	124.1	3.7	7.2
Fresh Vegetables	107.1	-0.5	4.8	131.0	4.5	9.4
Other Food Products	122.0	1.8	2.1	116.9	0.2	0.9
Coffee & Tea	131.8	1.5	-4.1	124.4	-1.1	-4.5
Non-Alcoholic Beverages	82.3	1.6	0.2	101.8	0.5	0.1
Food Purchased From Restaurants	125.2	0.4	3.6	122.0	0.3	3.3
Shelter	**102.0**	**0.2**	**-0.4**	**113.1**	**0.0**	**-1.0**
Rented Accommodation	113.5	0.2	1.5	115.4	0.2	2.0
Owned Accommodation	90.0	0.4	0.1	107.7	0.3	1.8
Property taxes	136.9	0.0	1.8	120.5	0.0	1.6
Water, Fuel & Electricity	139.9	0.0	-5.3	128.2	-1.2	-12.0
Electricity	106.1	0.0	0.0	117.2	-1.8	2.8
Piped Gas	198.6	0.0	-13.1	153.9	-1.0	-36.5
Fuel Oil & Other Fuel	132.2	0.0	-6.1	130.1	0.0	-10.0
Household Operations & Furnishings	**120.9**	**-0.2**	**2.7**	**114.0**	**0.2**	**1.4**
Household Operations	126.0	-0.1	1.4	117.7	0.0	1.4
Household Furnishings	114.3	-0.5	5.0	108.5	0.5	1.6
Clothing & Footwear	**111.1**	**-1.5**	**-0.4**	**104.2**	**-0.4**	**-0.3**
Clothing	109.6	-1.4	-1.3	102.5	-0.5	-1.1
Women's Clothing	110.0	-1.5	-0.3	101.8	0.0	-1.5
Men's Clothing	109.8	-1.1	-1.8	103.1	-1.5	-0.5
Children's Clothing	107.0	-2.6	-4.5	103.3	0.1	-0.4
Footwear	108.4	-2.6	-0.9	106.7	0.0	1.0
Transportation	**136.0**	**0.1**	**1.8**	**134.0**	**-0.1**	**0.8**
Private Transportation	132.0	0.1	0.8	131.3	0.0	0.2
Operation of Motor Vehicles	133.0	0.2	2.0	132.8	0.0	1.0
Gasoline	140.4	0.4	-6.1	126.9	-0.9	-7.6
Public Transportation	172.7	-0.5	8.4	164.4	-0.3	6.7
Local & Commuter	141.3	0.0	7.5	137.0	0.0	2.2
Inter-City	185.7	-0.6	8.7	186.1	-0.5	9.4
Health & Personal Care	**122.5**	**0.4**	**1.9**	**115.9**	**0.2**	**0.9**
Health Care	125.5	0.0	3.1	120.2	-0.2	1.7
Personal Care	119.4	0.8	0.8	112.8	0.4	0.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	**126.1**	**0.6**	**0.5**	**127.2**	**0.3**	**1.3**
Recreation	121.7	0.4	-0.2	117.5	0.4	0.3
Education & Reading	140.8	0.9	3.0	162.0	0.2	4.2
Education	138.1	0.4	2.1	175.7	0.2	3.9
Reading Material & Other Printed Matter	146.7	1.7	5.0	137.3	0.6	5.4
Alcoholic Beverages & Tobacco Products	**127.8**	**1.3**	**14.0**	**124.1**	**4.5**	**17.7**
Alcoholic Beverages	118.0	-0.8	2.3	119.1	-0.1	2.8
Alcoholic Beverages Purchased from Stores	115.4	-1.2	1.9	119.2	-0.1	2.5
Beer Purchased from Stores	131.7	0.0	4.9	126.8	0.5	3.3
Liquor Purchased from Stores	102.6	-0.1	1.5	108.0	0.1	1.6
Tobacco Products & Smokers' Supplies	134.0	3.4	28.0	115.3	8.1	31.9
Cigarettes	134.0	3.4	27.9	114.4	7.9	32.1
All-Items Excluding Food	117.7	0.1	1.4	118.6	0.3	1.0
All-Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	115.9	0.1	1.2	119.5	0.1	0.6
All-Items Excluding Food & Energy	115.9	0.2	2.3	117.5	0.4	2.6

June 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Provinces	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	June 2002	May 2002	June 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
Canada	119.0	0.3	1.3	116.4	113.5	2.6
Newfoundland & Labrador	117.7	-0.3	1.9	114.5	113.3	1.1
Prince Edward Island	117.6	-0.3	1.8	114.6	111.7	2.6
Nova Scotia	120.1	0.1	2.6	116.3	114.2	1.8
New Brunswick	118.6	0.3	2.6	114.7	112.8	1.7
Quebec	115.2	0.3	1.3	113.2	110.6	2.4
Ontario	119.9	0.3	1.2	117.7	114.2	3.1
Manitoba	123.6	0.3	0.6	121.2	118.1	2.6
Saskatchewan	123.9	0.2	1.9	120.3	116.7	3.1
Alberta	124.1	0.5	0.5	120.1	117.4	2.3
British Columbia	**118.2**	**0.1**	**1.6**	**115.2**	**113.3**	**1.7**
Whitehorse	117.8	0.4	0.0	116.9	114.6	2.0
Yellowknife	116.2	0.2	2.7	113.0	111.2	1.6



Metropolitan Areas	Monthly Index	% Chg		Annual Index		% Chg
	June 2002	May 2002	June 2001	2001	2000	2000/01
St. John's	117.7	-0.3	2.0	114.5	113.2	1.1
Charlottetown	117.0	-0.3	1.7	114.2	111.4	2.5
Halifax	119.4	0.0	2.8	115.5	113.2	2.0
Saint John	118.1	0.2	2.3	114.5	112.5	1.8
Quebec City	115.8	0.3	1.3	113.8	111.3	2.2
Montreal	115.4	0.4	1.5	113.4	110.7	2.4
Ottawa	121.7	0.2	1.2	119.3	115.6	3.2
Toronto	120.5	0.4	1.6	118.1	114.5	3.1
Thunder Bay	118.9	0.5	0.4	117.5	114.3	2.8
Winnipeg	123.9	0.4	0.6	121.5	118.1	2.9
Regina	124.8	0.2	1.8	121.3	117.7	3.1
Saskatoon	123.4	0.2	2.1	119.7	116.3	2.9
Edmonton	121.2	0.7	-0.5	118.4	115.9	2.2
Calgary	126.3	0.3	1.0	121.3	118.4	2.4
Vancouver	**119.0**	**0.0**	**1.7**	**116.0**	**113.9**	**1.8**
Victoria	**117.8**	**0.2**	**2.1**	**114.3**	**113.0**	**1.2**



Source: Statistics Canada

June 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

British Columbia

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	110.0	0.3		112.5	98.6	113.9	108.9	119.4	112.1	118.1	108.6
1999	111.2	1.1		113.6	98.1	115.5	110.1	123.3	114.9	119.1	109.1
2000	113.3	1.9		113.0	99.6	116.9	112.1	130.0	116.7	121.2	109.7
2001	115.2	1.7		117.4	101.2	118.0	112.6	130.5	119.7	122.6	112.3
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.5	0.2	2.9	115.3	102.1	115.9	111.9	131.1	118.0	120.2	110.9
Feb	112.6	-1.7	1.1	115.5	95.0	117.0	113.6	129.8	118.8	121.5	110.8
Mar	113.3	0.6	0.9	116.0	98.0	117.3	112.9	128.0	118.6	121.7	111.1
Apr	115.0	1.5	2.3	116.9	102.2	116.8	113.2	129.8	119.5	121.7	111.0
May	115.6	0.5	2.5	118.2	102.4	117.0	110.8	130.8	119.3	123.9	112.1
Jun	116.3	0.6	2.7	117.7	102.4	117.7	111.6	133.6	120.2	125.5	112.1
Jul	116.3	0.0	1.8	118.5	102.3	117.9	114.3	131.8	120.1	125.2	112.1
Aug	116.1	-0.2	1.8	118.4	102.3	117.9	112.7	131.3	119.2	125.2	113.0
Sep	116.7	0.5	2.1	117.4	102.4	119.6	115.2	134.1	119.8	124.2	113.0
Oct	115.8	-0.8	1.1	117.8	101.8	119.4	113.3	132.0	120.8	121.8	112.7
Nov	114.9	-0.8	0.3	118.0	101.8	119.4	111.3	127.5	121.0	120.3	114.0
Dec	114.8	-0.1	0.4	119.4	101.6	120.2	110.1	125.7	120.6	120.5	114.8
2002											
Jan	115.4	0.5	0.8	120.4	101.3	120.2	112.2	128.1	120.1	120.1	115.0
Feb	115.9	0.4	2.9	120.4	101.3	120.3	115.3	128.3	120.8	121.3	117.9
Mar	116.6	0.6	2.9	120.0	101.1	120.8	116.2	131.4	120.5	121.4	123.4
Apr	117.7	0.9	2.3	121.5	101.6	121.4	114.2	135.0	122.0	121.7	123.9
May	118.1	0.3	2.2	120.9	101.8	121.2	112.8	135.9	122.0	125.4	126.2
Jun	118.2	0.1	1.6	121.0	102.0	120.9	111.1	136.0	122.5	126.1	127.8
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Canada

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Food	Shelter	Household Operation	Clothing Footwear	Trans-portation	Health & Personal	Recreation Education	Alcohol Tobacco
1998	108.6	0.9		109.3	103.7	108.2	103.9	120.5	108.1	117.5	92.6
1999	110.5	1.7		110.7	105.1	109.0	105.3	124.5	110.2	119.6	94.5
2000	113.5	2.7		112.2	108.8	110.0	105.5	130.7	112.0	122.5	97.6
2001	116.4	2.6		117.2	112.8	112.2	106.0	130.8	114.2	124.3	105.1
2001		Month	Year								
Jan	114.7	-0.3	3.0	114.7	111.0	110.5	104.8	131.2	113.1	121.4	99.2
Feb	115.2	0.4	2.9	115.6	110.8	111.0	106.5	131.5	113.6	122.9	99.4
Mar	115.6	0.3	2.5	116.6	111.9	111.3	107.9	130.1	113.5	123.5	99.4
Apr	116.4	0.7	3.6	117.0	112.5	112.0	106.5	132.1	114.0	123.9	103.3
May	117.4	0.9	3.9	117.9	113.8	112.2	104.9	134.0	114.4	125.3	105.2
Jun	117.5	0.1	3.3	118.1	114.2	112.4	104.5	133.0	114.9	125.6	105.4
Jul	117.1	-0.3	2.6	118.6	113.7	112.4	105.8	130.4	114.8	126.2	105.7
Aug	117.1	0.0	2.8	117.7	113.7	112.5	106.6	130.9	114.2	126.2	106.4
Sep	117.4	0.3	2.6	116.9	113.4	113.2	107.9	133.0	114.2	126.0	106.5
Oct	116.8	-0.5	1.9	116.8	113.6	113.0	107.2	130.3	115.0	124.5	105.8
Nov	115.8	-0.9	0.7	117.3	112.0	112.7	105.2	126.9	114.7	123.2	111.7
Dec	115.9	0.1	0.7	118.6	112.6	113.0	103.7	126.0	114.5	122.9	111.9
2002											
Jan	116.2	0.3	1.3	120.0	113.0	112.9	102.3	126.9	114.3	122.3	112.2
Feb	116.9	0.6	1.5	120.6	113.1	113.1	105.4	127.5	114.8	124.1	112.9
Mar	117.7	0.7	1.8	120.4	113.1	113.7	107.1	130.5	114.5	124.9	114.1
Apr	118.4	0.6	1.7	120.9	112.8	113.9	106.6	133.8	115.3	124.7	116.8
May	118.6	0.2	1.0	120.4	113.1	113.8	104.6	134.1	115.7	126.8	118.8
Jun	119.0	0.3	1.3	120.9	113.1	114.0	104.2	134.0	115.9	127.2	124.1
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BRITISH COLUMBIA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/							
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity[1]					
	1998	109.7	91.0	116.7	103.8	104.6	98.5	103.7	109.5	108.2	110.1
	1999	110.2	89.0	129.4	106.6	105.6	107.3	110.4	110.7	109.4	110.8
	2000	110.7	89.0	167.4	137.6	105.7	134.3	130.8	113.4	111.5	111.9
	2001	111.9	89.7	222.9	141.0	91.9	134.3	134.3	114.7	113.3	113.0
2001	Jan	111.2	89.6	228.6	152.4	106.1	134.2	139.5	114.4	112.7	112.1
	Feb	111.3	89.7	228.6	147.5	0.0	135.3	108.3	112.0	110.7	112.4
	Mar	111.5	89.8	228.6	143.8	42.3	132.3	119.2	112.7	111.4	112.1
	Apr	111.6	89.7	228.6	140.2	106.1	135.4	139.7	114.6	113.2	112.4
	May	111.7	90.0	228.6	140.8	106.1	140.2	142.3	115.1	113.8	112.7
	Jun	111.8	89.9	228.6	140.8	106.1	149.5	147.2	116.1	114.5	113.3
	Jul	112.0	89.6	228.6	140.8	106.1	133.7	139.0	115.8	114.4	113.8
	Aug	112.1	89.7	228.6	140.8	106.1	131.5	137.8	115.6	114.2	113.6
	Sep	112.2	89.7	228.6	144.5	106.1	147.2	146.2	116.5	114.8	113.9
	Oct	112.4	89.8	205.6	138.6	106.1	138.5	138.4	115.4	113.9	113.4
	Nov	112.5	89.7	205.6	136.0	106.1	122.0	129.7	114.2	112.9	112.9
	Dec	112.7	89.6	205.6	126.1	106.1	112.1	124.0	113.9	112.8	113.0
2002	Jan	112.7	89.2	198.6	123.7	106.1	113.2	123.7	114.3	113.4	113.5
	Feb	112.9	89.2	198.6	119.3	106.1	113.4	123.6	114.9	113.8	114.1
	Mar	113.0	88.9	198.6	121.6	106.1	126.4	130.5	115.9	114.3	114.6
	Apr	113.1	89.4	198.6	130.8	106.1	137.3	136.6	116.9	115.4	115.1
	May	113.3	89.6	198.6	132.2	106.1	139.9	138.0	117.6	115.8	115.7
	Jun	113.5	90.0	198.6	132.2	106.1	140.4	138.3	117.7	115.9	115.9
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[1] *electricity figures for February and March 2001 reflect BC Hydro rebates*

CANADA		Rented Accom-modation	Owned Accom-modation	Energy for Dwellings			Motor Gasoline	Energy*	All Items Excluding Food	All Items Excluding Alcohol & Tobacco	All Items Excluding Food & Energy
				Fuel Oil/							
				Piped Gas	Other Fuel	Electricity					
	1998	109.1	99.2	119.1	100.8	107.8	99.1	104.3	108.6	110.1	108.9
	1999	110.2	100.3	130.7	101.3	108.5	108.0	110.2	110.5	112.0	110.5
	2000	111.5	102.9	158.9	143.2	109.2	131.7	128.1	113.9	115.0	112.2
	2001	113.3	105.9	206.0	143.5	111.1	128.3	132.3	116.3	117.7	114.4
2001	Jan	112.3	104.7	178.3	162.7	107.9	131.2	130.9	114.7	116.1	112.8
	Feb	112.5	105.0	191.9	156.2	99.9	132.1	129.9	115.2	116.6	113.4
	Mar	112.6	105.2	212.5	150.2	104.3	129.0	131.6	115.5	117.1	113.5
	Apr	112.8	105.5	209.4	146.0	110.4	136.1	136.4	116.3	117.8	113.9
	May	113.0	105.8	240.0	144.5	111.1	143.5	143.5	117.4	118.7	114.3
	Jun	113.1	105.8	242.4	144.5	114.0	137.4	141.7	117.4	118.8	114.5
	Jul	113.3	105.9	222.0	144.5	114.3	124.2	133.1	116.9	118.4	114.9
	Aug	113.5	106.1	217.1	144.5	114.3	125.9	133.4	117.0	118.4	115.1
	Sep	113.7	106.2	209.3	139.9	114.3	135.5	137.0	117.5	118.6	115.2
	Oct	114.0	106.8	206.5	135.1	114.3	124.7	131.0	116.9	118.0	115.1
	Nov	114.1	106.7	160.2	130.5	114.3	112.2	119.5	115.5	116.7	114.9
	Dec	114.3	106.6	182.4	123.3	114.3	107.6	119.1	115.4	116.9	114.8
2002	Jan	114.4	106.5	191.2	120.5	116.3	110.3	121.8	115.5	117.2	114.7
	Feb	114.6	106.6	190.5	119.7	116.1	111.8	122.4	116.2	117.9	115.4
	Mar	114.7	106.7	176.6	122.7	119.3	122.1	127.2	117.2	118.7	116.0
	Apr	115.0	107.1	153.9	130.2	119.4	130.4	129.4	117.9	119.3	116.5
	May	115.2	107.4	155.4	130.1	119.4	128.0	128.4	118.3	119.4	117.0
	Jun	115.4	107.7	153.9	130.1	117.2	126.9	127.0	118.6	119.5	117.5
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* *Energy includes Piped Gas, Fuel Oil/Other Fuel, Electricity, and Motor Gasoline*

June 2002 Consumer Price Index (1992=100)

Vancouver

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.4	0.5		99.4	109.2	92.0	112.5
1999	111.4	0.9		99.0	109.8	90.2	119.1
2000	113.9	2.2		100.8	110.2	90.6	135.7
2001	116.0	1.8		103.3	111.5	91.4	153.0
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	115.3	0.3	3.3	103.8	110.7	91.1	164.2
Feb	113.9	-1.2	1.9	98.7	110.9	91.3	103.9
Mar	114.0	0.1	1.1	100.2	111.0	91.4	120.2
Apr	115.7	1.5	2.5	104.0	111.2	91.1	164.2
May	116.3	0.5	2.6	104.5	111.4	91.8	164.2
Jun	117.0	0.6	2.8	104.4	111.5	91.7	164.2
Jul	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.3	111.7	91.5	164.3
Aug	117.0	0.0	1.8	104.4	111.8	91.6	164.3
Sep	117.5	0.4	2.1	104.5	111.9	91.7	164.2
Oct	116.5	-0.9	1.2	103.4	111.9	91.2	154.4
Nov	115.6	-0.8	0.3	103.4	112.1	91.2	154.3
Dec	115.8	0.2	0.7	103.4	112.2	91.1	154.1
2002							
Jan	116.3	0.4	0.9	102.8	112.2	90.7	149.6
Feb	116.6	0.3	2.4	102.9	112.5	90.7	149.5
Mar	117.4	0.7	3.0	102.7	112.6	90.4	149.7
Apr	118.4	0.9	2.3	103.3	112.8	91.3	149.9
May	119.0	0.5	2.3	103.6	113.0	91.6	149.8
Jun	119.0	0.0	1.7	103.5	113.1	91.4	149.8
Jul							
Aug							
Sep							
Oct							
Nov							
Dec							

Victoria

Year	All Items	% Change Annual Average		Shelter	Accommodation Rented	Accommodation Owned	Water, Fuel Electricity
1998	110.0	0.3		98.8	109.5	90.9	108.0
1999	111.1	1.0		98.1	110.0	89.2	110.2
2000	113.0	1.7		99.2	110.5	89.1	118.8
2001	114.3	1.2		98.9	111.4	89.8	110.3
2001		Month	Year				
Jan	113.8	-0.1	2.4	100.3	110.9	89.9	123.0
Feb	111.3	-2.2	0.0	91.3	110.9	89.9	48.4
Mar	112.4	1.0	0.2	95.4	111.0	90.0	81.9
Apr	114.2	1.6	1.7	100.0	111.2	90.0	119.5
May	114.8	0.5	1.9	99.9	111.2	89.8	119.3
Jun	115.4	0.5	2.0	99.8	111.3	89.7	119.3
Jul	115.4	0.0	1.5	99.7	111.3	89.4	119.3
Aug	115.2	-0.2	1.4	99.7	111.4	89.4	119.3
Sep	115.7	0.4	1.6	99.7	111.4	89.3	120.1
Oct	115.2	-0.4	1.1	100.3	111.6	90.4	118.8
Nov	114.4	-0.7	0.3	100.2	112.1	90.2	118.2
Dec	114.3	-0.1	0.4	100.0	112.2	90.0	116.5
2002							
Jan	114.9	0.5	1.0	100.1	112.3	89.7	119.1
Feb	115.4	0.4	3.7	100.0	112.6	89.6	118.3
Mar	116.1	0.6	3.3	99.9	112.6	89.3	118.6
Apr	117.1	0.9	2.5	100.2	112.7	89.5	120.2
May	117.6	0.4	2.4	100.4	113.0	89.6	120.5
Jun	117.8	0.2	2.1	100.9	113.1	90.3	120.5
Jul							
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